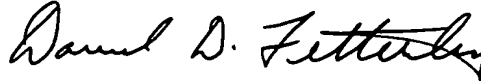


Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

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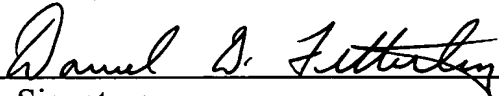


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In the Specification:

Please add the following paragraph at page 1, between the title and the first line of text as follows:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

The present application is the U.S. national stage application of International Application PCT/AU00/00726, filed June 27, 2000, which international application was published on January 4, 2001 as International Publication WO 01/00418 in the English language. The International Application claims priority of Australian Patent Application No. PQ 1259, filed June 28, 1999.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Before the paragraph beginning at line 31 of page 1 insert the following:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Before the paragraph beginning at line 24 of page 4 insert the following:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING

Before the paragraph beginning at line 19 of page 5 insert the following:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

In the Claims:

Claim 3 has been amended as follows:

3. (amended) A method of producing a security document or device according to claim 1 ~~either one of claims 1 or 2~~, wherein the substrate includes a transparent plastics film.

Claim 5 has been amended as follows:

5. (amended) A method of producing a security document or device according to claim 3~~either one of claims 3 or 4~~, wherein the substrate further includes a transparent coating applied to the transparent plastics film, the optically diffractive structure being formed in the transparent coating.

Claim 7 has been amended as follows:

7. (amended) A method of producing a security document or device according to claim 5~~either one of claims 5 or 6~~, wherein the substrate further includes a reflective coating applied to the transparent coating.

Claim 9 has been amended as follows:

9. (amended) A method of producing a security document or device according to claim 7~~either one of claims 7 or 8~~, wherein both the reflective coating and the transparent coating may be formed from material which is similarly resistant to physical degradation.

Claim 10 has been amended as follows:

10. (amended) A method of producing a security document or device according to claim 5~~either one of claims 5 or 6~~, wherein the substrate further includes a transparent layer applied to the transparent coating.

Claim 12 has been amended as follows:

12. (amended) A method of producing a security document or device according to claim 10~~either one of claims 10 or 11~~, wherein both the transparent layer and the transparent coating are formed from material which is similarly resistant to physical degradation.

Claim 13 has been amended as follows:

13. (amended) A method of producing a security document or device according to claim 3~~either one of claims 3 or 4~~, wherein the substrate further includes a

reflective coating applied to the transparent plastics film, said optically diffractive structure being formed in the reflective coating.

Claim 15 has been amended as follows:

15. (amended) A method of producing a security document or device according to claim 13 ~~either one of claims 13 or 14~~, wherein the substrate further includes a transparent coating applied to the reflective coating.

Claim 17 has been amended as follows:

17. (amended) A method of producing a security document or device according to claim 15 ~~either one of claims 15 or 16~~, wherein both the reflective coating and the transparent coating are made of material which is similarly resistant to physical degradation.

Claim 18 has been amended as follows:

18. (amended) A method of producing a security document or device according to claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~, the method further comprising the step of:

applying at least one opacifying layer to the substrate, said at least one opacifying layer only partly covering a surface of the substrate to leave at least said optically diffractive device uncovered by said opacifying layer.

Claim 20 has been amended as follows:

20. (amended) ~~In an alternative form, the invention provides a~~ A method of producing a security document or device comprising a substrate and a detectable security device, the method comprising the step of:

exposing an area of the substrate on one surface to a light source which causes photo-polymerisation of the substrate which in turn produces a polarisation state or pattern.

Claim 21 has been canceled.